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RECORDING MEDIUM

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of March 3, 2006, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on June 5, 2006 (June 3, 2006 being a Saturday), which has been extended to expire July 3, 2006 upon acceptance of the concurrently filed request for extension of time and the requisite fees. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the hereincontained amendments and remarks.

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